Resolution #BE-16-11-2

Ratification of the Grand Avenue Bridge Maintenance Intergovernmental Agreement

Approved by the Colorado Bridge Enterprise Board of Directors on Nov. 17, 2017.

WHEREAS, the Colorado Bridge Enterprise ("CBE") was created pursuant to Section 43-4-805, C.R.S., as an enterprise for purposes of section 20 of article X of the Colorado Constitution, and as a government-owned business within the Colorado Department of Transportation ("CDOT"), for the business purpose of financing, repairing, reconstructing, and replacing designated bridges, as defined in Section 43-4-803(10), C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, CBE is currently undertaking the State Highway 82 (SH 82)-Grand Avenue Bridge Replacement Project, which generally consists of the removal and replacement of the SH 82 Grand Ave. vehicular and pedestrian bridge between sixth street and seventh street spanning the Railroad, the Colorado River, and Interstate 70 in Glenwood Springs, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the replacement pedestrian bridge falls within the definition of a "designated bridge", CRS 43-4-803(10), which includes "sidewalks or other infrastructure connected or adjacent to or required for the optimal functioning of the bridge". In addition to pedestrian and bicycle traffic, the new pedestrian bridge will carry critical utility lines over the Railroad, Colorado River, and Interstate 70 which were formerly located on the old vehicular structure; and

WHEREAS, the replacement of the old pedestrian structure was necessary to carry utilities which otherwise would have required a separate utility structure. Therefore, the contribution of CBE funds is justified; and

WHEREAS, several local governments contributed substantial funding for the replacement of the Grand Avenue pedestrian bridge in Glenwood Springs. The CBE contributed significant state funding for the pedestrian bridge; and

WHEREAS, CBE is not suited to efficiently maintain a pedestrian bridge; and CBE has determined that local ownership and maintenance of the new pedestrian bridge is in the best interest of CBE because maintenance can be better accomplished by the City of Glenwood Springs; and

WHEREAS, CBE has determined the long term maintenance costs are greater or equal to the money that CBE spent to construct the structure, thereby justifying the transfer of the new pedestrian bridge to the City of Glenwood Springs; and

WHEREAS, CBE and the City of Glenwood Springs entered into the Grand Avenue Bridge Maintenance Agreement dated December 17, 2015 which provides for the City of Glenwood Springs to maintain the new pedestrian bridge; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the Maintenance Agreement, upon completion of the pedestrian bridge the CBE will transfer the pedestrian bridge to the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado via a Bill of Sale for the consideration of \$10; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Colorado Bridge Enterprise hereby approves and ratifies the Grand Avenue Bridge Maintenance Intergovernmental Agreement (Routing# 16-HA3-XE-00010) submitted with this Resolution, which outlines the responsibilities of the CBE and the City of Glenwood Springs including maintenance commitments, pedestrian bridge ownership and transfer to the City of Glenwood Springs and further approves execution of the Bill of Sale which transfers the new pedestrian bridge from CBE to the City of Glenwood Springs upon completion of construction of the new pedestrian bridge.

Herman Stockinger, Secretary
Bridge Enterprise Board of Directors

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